

## Registration Form

### Kentucky Court of Justice Guardian ad Litem Training Seminar

*This seminar will be offered in six locations, with each event taking place on a Friday. Please check the date you want to attend. There is no cost for the program.*

- Feb. 27, 2009 Robert F. Stephens Circuit Courthouse, Lexington
- March 6, 2009 Carroll Knicely Conference Center, Bowling Green
- April 3, 2009 Hilton Garden Inn Airport, Louisville
- April 17, 2009 Eastern Kentucky Expo Center, Pikeville
- April 24, 2009 Historic State Theater Complex, Elizabethtown
- May 1, 2009 Christian County Justice Center, Hopkinsville

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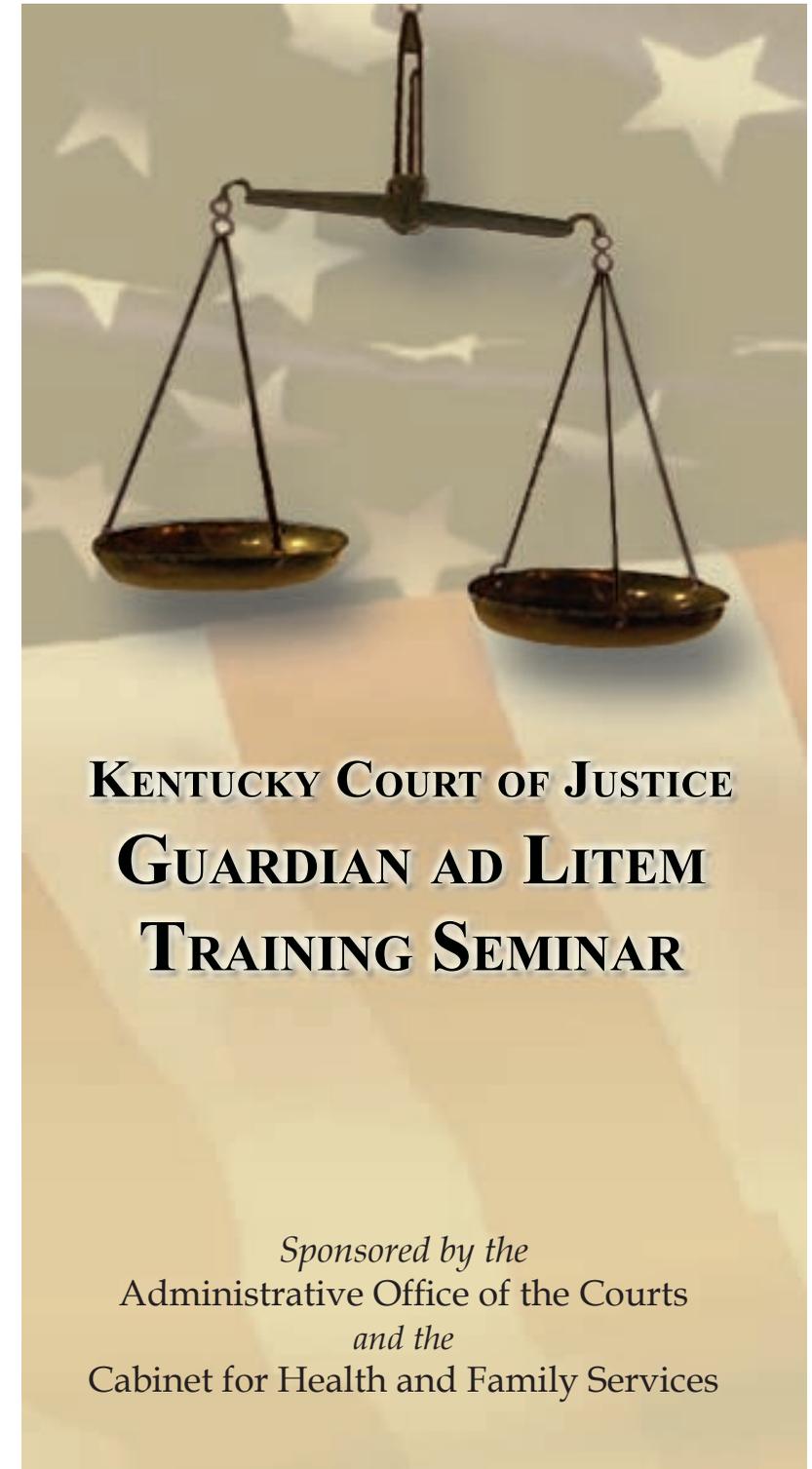
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*This seminar is free, but space is limited.  
Please register by returning this form to:*

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*Offered at six locations in Kentucky*

The Administrative Office of the Courts is pleased to oversee the Kentucky Guardian ad Litem Program. Since 1999, the AOC has been responsible for preparing attorneys to provide legal representation to abused and neglected children throughout the Commonwealth. The goal of the program is to produce highly qualified guardians ad litem by offering training sessions, providing educational materials and serving as a comprehensive resource.

The current curriculum is designed to give a child’s attorney an overview of Kentucky statutory and case law. The course also focuses on the federal law that requires reasonable efforts to keep families together and provide children with safe and permanent homes.

**CLE Credits.** The program will offer 6.5 credit hours of continuing legal education which includes 1 credit hour of ethics.

**Six Convenient Locations.** You can choose to attend at one of these sites in Kentucky:

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**No Cost, But Space is Limited.** Don’t miss this important seminar. There is no cost to attend, but space is limited. For more information, contact J.R. Hopson, Guardian ad Litem program coordinator, at 800-928-2350, x2168 or jameshopson@kycourts.net.

## 2009 Agenda

### Guardian ad Litem Training Seminar

8:30 a.m.	Dependency, Neglect and Abuse: Statutory Review <i>Duane Osborne, J.D.</i> <i>Assistant Fayette County Attorney</i>
10 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m.	Dependency, Neglect and Abuse: Statutory Review <i>continued</i>
11:15 a.m.	Termination of Parental Rights: Statutory Review <i>Duane Osborne, J.D.</i> <i>Assistant Fayette County Attorney</i>
Noon - 1 p.m.	Lunch
1 p.m.	Communicating With Children <i>Vickie Henderson, MSW, CSW</i> <i>Northern Kentucky Children’s Advocacy Center</i>
2 p.m.	Break
2:15 p.m.	Adoptions: Statutory Review <i>Duane Osborne, J.D.</i> <i>Assistant Fayette County Attorney</i>
3 p.m.	Ethical Responsibilities for the GAL <i>Duane Osborne, J.D.</i> <i>Assistant Fayette County Attorney</i>
4 p.m.	Adjourn



*Guardians ad litem play key role  
in protecting children*

Nearly 10,000 Kentucky children are in state custody because they have been removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect. Federal and state laws mandate that these children be placed into permanent homes.

The judicial system recognizes the need to achieve timely and appropriate placement for children who are parties in the juvenile court process. To that end, the Administrative Office of the Courts is sponsoring this training to help ensure that children receive as fair and expeditious a process as possible. The Guardian ad Litem program is one important step toward the goal of improving our justice system for the children of the Commonwealth.

*John D. Minton, Jr.*  
*Chief Justice of Kentucky*

### In Appreciation

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